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Dear Ms. Myers,

Reur 11/24, if you'd like to use my letter, please do.

If you'd like to check with Cesar, his office is 918 F St., NW, #509, 202/393-1921.

He has since then become a real specialist in FOIA cases.

If you have any questions, please ask.

I said that the JFK assassination writing was not fun and games. I was not referring to the ACLU belief that the FBI would get after me. In that sense it did not. I was referring to the prevailing major-media attitude.

I developed a confidential relationship with one of the members of the Warren Commission. Senator Richard B. Russell, the most conservative of them, did not ask for confidentiality. I believed if I did not regard it as confidential it might at the least embarrass him. He was one of two members who refused to agree with the commission's most basic conclusion, that mythical single-bullet theory. The moderate Republican John Sherman Cooper of Kentucky agreed with Russell. If it interests you I have records from the archive each left confirming me on this. my source was Russell.

Russell foreed an executive session on this. First it was connived that despite prior agreement all the executive sessions would be covered by their court reporter and transcripts preserved there would be no court reporter there. A woman on the staff was there pretending to take it all down. Then Russell and Cooper had their trust imposed upon. They agreed to what as represented as including their position and it in fact did not.

After the Report was announced as unanimously agreed to there was not a thing Russell could do when he finally understood what had happened to him. But he did break his life-long friendship with Lyndon johnson, who appointed him to the Commission over Russell's objections. Russell told me he believed that LJBJ had agreed not to appoint him.

Not what you've read in the NYTimes or the Wash Post. But the fact, documented thoroughly and with official records if they interest you.

It was a terrible day for all of us!

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg